

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) to address an impairment in the Deep Run Watershed. The subject stream segment is identified in Virginia's 1998 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired due to violations of the State's water quality standard for fecal coliform bacteria.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

The impaired stream segment is located along the southern border of Stafford and Fauquier Counties. The impairment begins at the confluence with Green Branch just downstream of the Route 752 bridge and continues downstream approximately 4.83 miles to the confluence with the Rappahannock River.

The second public meeting on the development of the Deep Run Watershed TMDL will be held on **Wednesday, September 17, 2003, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Mary Walter Elementary School, located at 4529 Morrisville Road in Bealeton, Virginia.

The public comment period will begin on September 17, 2003 and end on October 16, 2003. A fact sheet on the development of the TMDL for the impairment in the Deep Run Watershed is available upon request. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Katherine Bennett. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Ms. Katherine E. Bennett, Department of Environmental Quality, 13901 Crown Court, Woodbridge, Virginia, 22193, telephone (703) 583-3896, Fax (703) 583-3841, or e-mail kebennett@deq.state.va.us.